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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Case No.: 24555

#GB/2-24-03
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KUNIO SEKIYA

Group Art Unit: 1731

Serial No. 09/806,020

Examiner: Mark Halpern

Filed: March 23, 2001

For: POLLUTION CONTROL METHOD FOR
CYLINDRICAL DRIER USED IN
PAPER MACHINE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 8, 2002, ADVISORY

ACTION OF DECEMBER 3, 2002 AND A REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant responds to the Final Office Action mailed August 8, 2002 and the Advisory Action mailed December 03, 2002 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 7). A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, a Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) and the requisite fee for a three month extension of time for the period of reply accompany this response.

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner indicated that the request for reconsideration had been considered, but did not place the application in condition for allowance.